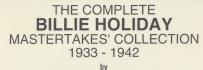


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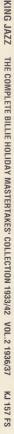
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## DISCOGRAPHICAL NOTES

BILLIE HOLIDAY AND HER ORCHESTRA: Bunny Berigan (tot). Artie Shaw (cl), Joe Bushkin (p), Dick McDonough (g), Pete Peterson (b), Cozy Cole (d), Billie Holiday (v),

1. 19537.1 Summertime 2 19538 2 Billie's Blues New York, July 10, 1936 Vocalion 3288 Vocalion 3288

Bunny Berigan (tpt), Irving Fazola (cl), Clyde Hart (p), Dick McDonough (g), Artie Bernstein (b), Cozy Cole (d, speech), Billie Holiday (v).

3. 19971.1	A Fine Romance
4. 19972.1	I Can't Pretend
5. 19973.1	One, Two, Button Your Shoe
6. 19974.2	Let's Call A Heart A Heart

New York, September 29, 1936 Vocalion 3333 Vocalion 3333 Vocalion 3334 Vocalion 3334

TEDDY WILSON AND HIS ORCHESTRA: Irving Randolph (tpt), Vido Musso (cl, ts), Ben Webster (ts), Teddy Wilson (p), Allan Reuss (g), Milt Hinton (b), Gene Krupa (d), Billie Holiday (v).

20105.1	Easy To Love	Brun
20106.2	With Thee I Swing	Brun
20107.2	The Way You Look Tonight	Brun

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## 10. 20142.3 Who Loves You?

Jonah Jones (tpt), Benny Goodman (cl), Ben Webster (ts), Teddy Wilson (p), Allan Reuss (g), John Kirby (b), Cozy Cole (d), Billie Holiday (v).

11, 20290.1 Pennies From Heaven 12, 20291.1 That's Life | Guess 13. 20293.1 I Can't Give You Anything But Love New York, October 21, 1936 swick 7762 swick 7768 swick 7762

New York, October 28, 1936 Brunswick 7768

New York, November 19, 1936 Brunswick 7789 Brunswick 7789 Brunswick 7781

**BILLIE HOLIDAY AND HER ORCHESTRA:** Jonah Jones (tpt), Edgar Sampson (cl, as), Ben Webster (ts), Teddy Wilson (p), Allan Reuss (g), John Kirby (b), Cozy Cole (d), Billie Holiday (v).

14. 20506.1 One Never Knows - Does One?
15. 20507.2 I've Got My Love To Keep Me Warm
16. 20508.1 If My Heart Could Only Talk
17. 20509.2 Please Keep Me In Your Dreams

New York, January 12, 1937 Vocalion 3431 Vocalion 3431 Vocalion 3440 Vocalion 3440

**TEDDY WILSON AND HIS ORCHESTRA:** Buck Clayton (tpt), Benny Goodman (cl), Lester Young (ts), Teddy Wilson (p), Freddie Green (g), Walter Page (b), Jo Jones (d), Billie Holiday (v).

18. 20568.1	He Ain't Got Rhythm	
19.20569.2	This Year's Kisses	
20. 20570.1	Why Was I Born?	
21.20571.1	I Must Have That Man	

New York, January 25, 1937 Brunswick 7824 Brunswick 7824 Brunswick 7859 Brunswick 7859

Henry «Red» Allen (tpt), Cecil Scott (cl, as), Prince Robinson (ts), Teddy Wilson (p), Jimmy McLin (g), John Kirby (b), Cozy Cole (d), Billie Holiday (v).

22. 20698.2 The Mood That I'm In 23. 20699.2 You Showed Me The Way New York, February 18, 1937 Brunswick 7844 Brunswick 7840

THE COMPLETE BILLIE HOLIDAY MASTERTAKES' COLLECTION 1933/1942 has been compiled in seven volumes (KJ 156 FS / KJ 162 FS). There is nothing to add about Billie, whose singing brought to an extreme, unsurpassed and quintessential sublimation the vocabulary of Louis Armstrong. I mean that vocabulary which determined, settled and stabilized, in one way or another, the changing of the language and of the idiom of Jazz, Pop and Show-biz music of our century. Not to mention the unquestionable influence it was on the classical world. As I have said elsewhere, each of Lady Day's notes express and emphasize a universal feeling of timelessness in which sadness, happiness and all perceptible shades and nuances of the human condition, are there to be seen and felt as a kind of accusatory lecture which everyone everywhere should experience absolutely. Billie, in those years, had reached the summit of her expressive powers, so it's no surprise at all that masterworks like I CRIED FOR YOU, I'LL GET BY and I'LL NEVER BE THE SAME sprang forth almost casually. Then, once again, CARELESSLY bowls us over and floors us in such a way that, if by the end of it you are unconsciously caught up in a sort of unutterable joy (a state of emptiness that leaves you with no room for any images or intellectual pauses); if a large lump is resolutely sticking in your throat; if you feel breathless; if goose pimples are creeping up and down your spine, or maybe (let be frank) you find yourself in tears, don't you worry.....it's just jazz.

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## **ABOUT THE PRODUCER:**

Thanks to Renato Sparapani (an attorney in Ancona), Alessandro Protti developed such a fierce devotion to King Oliver that at the age of 15 he fled home, reached Geneva on a cold February evening and, at midnight, rang the doorbell of jazz collector Giordano Bruno (a direct descendant of the philosopher) demanding that the bewildered and amazed gentleman leave the warmth of his bed to play him one of the few (at that time) available copies of Joe Oliver's "Buddy's Habits". After listening to his own attempt to record a rendition of "Basin Street Blues", young Protti threw away his clarinet forever and, still a law-student, began producing music professionally. His first hit was in 1959 with "10 Years of Jazz in Italy" in which all the jazzmen responsible for the so-called "Italian Jazz of the Roaring Fifties" were featured. He then financed the first four years recordings of Lino Patruno's Riverside Jazz Band and molded the Italian singer Jimmy Fontana. In the mid-sixties (and strongly motivated by publisher Walter Franz Gürtler), he perfected his own technique of restoring and re-recording music, which he gave up after participating in over 300 LP's and after the worldwide success of a 12-volume double-album collection that appeared on the Marcello Minerbi's KINGS OF JAZZ label. (No relation to KING JAZZ, on which Mr Protti published in 1966 the complete recordings in 8 volumes). He then retired temporarily except for one brief episode in 1975 when he recorded and produced 20 famous takes with Earl "Fatha" Hines in New Orleans.



with Ben Webster & Ram Ramirez









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